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- Expedited Examining Procedure -
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In re Application of:

David L. Patton, et al.

DETECTING THE PRESENCE OF
FAILURE(S) IN EXISTING MAN-
MADE STRUCTURES

Serial No. 09/828,010

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In response to the Office Action mailed July 1, 2004, please
reconsider the rejection of the above-identified application, without prejudice, in
view of the following remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on
page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.